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1. Japanese Unexamined Patent Application Publication No. 11-27233, published January 29, 1999.
2. Japanese Unexamined Patent Application Publication No. 3-44115, published February 26, 1991.

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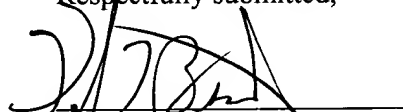
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Cited Literature: 1. Japanese Unexamined Patent Application Publication H11-27233
2. Japanese Unexamined Patent Application Publication H3-44115

Remarks:

Cited Literature 1, Figure 1 discloses a code division multiplexing transmitter provided with a basic configuration of multiplex unit – DA – power amplification unit, indicating that, in order to reduce gain fluctuation of environmental conditions of the power amplification unit and the like, as per the task corresponding to present Claim 6, a gain control unit (variable ATT) is controlled based on the average output value of an average value computation unit, *ie* level detection result, and on the averaged output of the power amplification unit output.

Moreover, modifying the scale factor of a digital value at a pre-DAC stage based on level detection results and adding a reverse scale factor corresponding to said scale factor in a post-DAC gain control unit in order to prevent signal degradation during DA is a conventional means in using a DAC. Regarding this point, see Cited Literature 2, Figure 2.

The present Claims 1-8 could be easily achieved by a person skilled in the art by adopting the aforementioned conventional means for the DA in Cited Literature 1, modifying the scale factor at a pre-DA stage based on level detection results, *ie* based on the average output value of an average value computation unit, and adding a reverse scale factor for the aforementioned gain control in the aforementioned gain control unit (variable ATT).

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